

POTENTIAL ISSUES

NATURAL GAS SUPPLY

In Status Report No. 4, Staff expressed its concern that adequate natural gas supply pipeline capacity may not be available if the Potrero, Hunters Point and Golden Gate power plants attempt to operate simultaneously.

On April 17, 2001, I received, and docketed, a copy of a letter from the applicant to Mr. Michael D. O'Brien of PG&E that included an updated Power Plant Interconnection Information Sheet. The applicant characterizes the Information Sheet as its formal request for a modification to its gas service from PG&E at the Potrero Power Plant. Staff is considering the information and will address the issue in the PSA.

WORKSHOPS AND OUTREACH

Staff held a workshop to discuss disproportionate impacts during the evening of April 12, 2001 at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House. It was attended by approximately 60 people, but comments were made that the meeting was not reaching those who should be reached. To address these comments, staff attempted to schedule an additional public meeting on May 7, 2001. However, confirmation of the meeting site (the Potrero Hill Neighborhood Center) and the inadequacy of the secondary site (the Potrero Housing Development can accommodate less than 30 people and our meetings have had in excess of 60) resulted in staff not holding the meeting.

Staff's contact at the housing development, Joyce Armstrong, an employee of San Francisco Housing Authority, whose office and home is in the housing development, recommended that for the larger functions, the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House is the venue that she uses for housing development events. Therefore, staff intends to continue using the House for its meetings.

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cc: Potrero Power Plant Unit 7 Project POS list (includes Bio AWG)
Docket

Memorandum

Date : May 4, 2001

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Subject : POTRERO POWER PLANT UNIT 7 PROJECT (00-AFC-4) STATUS REPORT NO. 5

SCHEDULE

Staff will issue its Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA) on May 31, 2001, and anticipates holding PSA workshops in mid-June.

ISSUES

CURRENT ISSUES

BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

On March 30, 2001, the applicant docketed its "February 2001 Biologic Sampling Report". This is the second of what are expected to be regular reports that provide staff and its Agency Working Group (AWG) with information on marine biological resources. Staff will use information contained in the first three monthly reports in its PSA. Additional reports will provide information for the FSA.

Staff conducted a public AWG teleconference on April 25, 2001, to discuss the March 2001 report. The primary purpose of the teleconference was to ask clarifying questions regarding the data and information derived from the data, and to provide comments on possible adjustments to be made in future data collection surveys. The participants and other people who have expressed an interest in teleconference will be provided with a summary. Additional teleconferences are expected after each submittal of monthly data/information, except for materials to be provided on or about May 4, 2001. These materials will be docketed and distributed by the applicant in the same fashion that the monthly results are handled. Others who wish to participate are urged to contact me. (916-653-0159 or mpryor@energy.state.ca.us)

TOXIC SEDIMENTS

This situation has not changed since April 4.